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APPLICATION FOR ART ELECTIVE PROGRAMME (AEP) CENTRE (2024) INFORMATION SHEET FOR APPLICANTS

INTRODUCTION

All Secondary 1 students from schools that do not offer the Art Elective Programme (AEP) or Enhanced Art Programme (EAP) can apply for the <u>centre based AEP</u> at National Junior College (NJC) as an external student. The application window for the 2024 intake will be open from 2 to 15 January 2024.

AEP CURRICULUM

- The AEP provides opportunities for artistically-inclined students to pursue a deeper and more comprehensive study of art. The AEP curriculum aims to develop students in their creativity, conceptual thinking, and analytical thinking, and thereby develops them as practitioners, scholars, advocates, and leaders in art. The extended and balanced Art curriculum covers both studio practice and art criticism, emphasising the engagement of a range of materials, media, and creative processes. AEP students can expect access to specialised studio facilities, equipment, and resources. They will receive enrichment opportunities to learn with like-minded peers from across the AEP schools, arts industry professionals and higher education students and staff.
- At the end of the 4-year programme, AEP students sit for the G3 Higher Art¹examination. For more information on how Higher Art grade may be computed for admission to post-secondary institutions, please click on this link.
- In light of the required commitment to the programme, AEP students may take AEP in place of lower secondary Design & Technology (D&T) and Food & Consumer Education (FCE) lessons to manage their curriculum time and learning load. At the Upper Secondary level, they will hence <u>not be eligible</u> to offer D&T and Nutrition and Food Science (NFS).

For the 2027 graduating cohort who will be sitting for the new Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate (SEC) examinations, they will be offering G3/G2/G1 syllabuses and exams, which map to the current O/N(A)/N(T)-Level syllabuses and exams respectively across all subjects.

AEP Centre students attend lessons weekly at NJC, starting from Term 2 Week 1 for the 2024 cohort. They will attend these lessons in lieu of Lower Secondary Art lessons at their own schools. The Centre takes in students of both genders.

Centre	Address	Lesson days & timings for 2024 Secondary 1 cohort	
		Lower Sec	Upper Sec
National Junior College	37 Hillcrest Road S288913	Tuesdays 3:00 – 6:00 pm	Thursdays 3:00 – 6:00 pm

Upon enrolment, the AEP becomes part of the formal curriculum of the AEP Centre student. Prior to application, interested students and their parents are strongly encouraged to work closely with the students' secondary schools to ensure that their school timetable and commitments would allow them to participate fully in the AEP. Students who are selected and admitted into the secondary-level AEP are expected to commit to the programme for 4 years. Withdrawal from the AEP is strictly subject to the approval of MOE Arts Education Branch.

HOW TO APPLY

7 Key application dates are summarised in the table below. Changes, if any, will be reflected on the AEP webpage. Late applications will not be accepted.

Dates (2024)	AEP Selection Exercise Events	
2 – 15 Jan	Phase 1: Applicants to inform Art Coordinator of their interest, and to submit their Online application including submission of an e-portfolio of artworks.	
8 Feb	Notification of phase 1 selection result via own secondary school Art Coordinator	
13 – 23 Feb	Phase 2: Interview held in National Junior College (face-to-face)	
[for shortlisted applicants only]	Students will be expected to share their ideas and art making experiences, with reference to their e-portfolios, with the interview panel. They may also be invited to participate in a short art task during the interview. Materials will be provided for this task, with no prior preparation needed.	
By 4 Mar	Notification of final selection results via own secondary school Art Coordinator	
From 18 Mar (Term 2 Week 1)	Commencement of programme at AEP Centre	

PHASE 1 SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

8 Full requirements for the e-portfolio submissions are detailed in the table below.

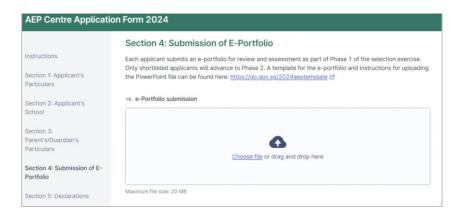
E-portfolio

Specifications:

- Choose only 3 to 5 original works to submit.
- Compile works into a PowerPoint document using the template provided https://go.gov.sg/2024aeptemplate.
- Indicate titles and a short artist statement of no more than 30 words for all works submitted.
- Include a personal statement of no more than 60 words explaining what art making and enrolling in the AEP means personally to the applicant. (Parents are strongly encouraged to allow their child to fulfil this requirement independently.)

Selection of works:

- Should reflect interests, experiences and artistic abilities and qualities.
- Can include 2D, 3D and time-based works.
- Can include works done in Primary school Art lessons and CCA.
- Should be works completed in the last 2 years.



Submission:

- Upload the e-portfolio file to the online form (Section 4).
- File size limit: maximum 20MB
- To manage file size, ensure that the size of video artworks (if any) is compressed.
- Acceptable file formats: .pptx
- File name: school name_applicant's full name
- All submissions are to be completed by 15th January 2024.
- 9 For more information about the AEP, visit the <u>AEP page</u> on the MOE website. For FAQs about the AEP, click here.

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